

LWPA Meeting Minutes

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Next board meeting is 6:30 PM on August 2nd at Linda M's.

Attendance: Dave Liebman, Linda McMonagle, Colby Collier, Cathy Butcher, Charles Benedict

Dave L. called the meeting to order at 11:15. Tom Kirkpatrick was unable to attend. Fred K. has submitted his resignation.

The previous meeting notes were amended to spell Linda's name correctly and to mention the emergency planning.

Linda M gave a treasure's report. We have \$1880.05, with expenses of 91.35 for doggie bags and un-totaled picnic expenses.

OLD BUSINESS:

Dave L. reported the road clean up went very well and we had a good turnout. There was some discussion of what we did differently to get a good turnout (besides better weather). We hope the more current e-mail lists are helping. Colby advocates little gifts/prizes but that was not done this year.

Cathy B. reported progress on the e-mail list and will work with Colby on corrections/updates and then Cathy B. and Charley B. will enter the list on the LWPA94 e-mail location for easy mailing.

Dave L. talked with the city (Diane Pistoll) about our relationship to CAC, closer coordination with the city, and more support from the city. Bottom line, while the city appreciates our work they have no resources to extend any help or even improve coordination.

NEW BUSINESS:

Dave L. mentioned that the online by-laws have no formatting when printed. Charley will talk to Dave B. and Betsy Bradsby about the problem and making sure the 'official' copy of the by-laws have been updated with recent changes.

Dave L. pointed out that the bylaws need to be changed to allow voting by non-dues paying members since we no longer collect dues. Charley B. will develop some possible phrasing for consideration at the next meeting.

Cathy B. will send out a suggested list of functions for the V.P. Once approved the list should be added to the by-laws as well.

Colby C. mentioned a concern regarding the LWPA lacking an income source but having expenses. Linda M pointed out that we are below \$2,000 in the account. We will see what donations we get at the picnic and then discuss fundraising at the next meeting. Colby C. thinks we might be able to get a grant for some project.

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LWPA is not a 501K nonprofit organization because we have only filed with the state, not the federal government. The city does offer some benefits to 501K non-profit organizations. Part of the hesitation was the complicated paper work to file for 501K status and then to file tax reports. Colby C. is now somewhat familiar with the necessary paper work and is willing to work on the filing. Linda M. thinks there may be an expensive insurance requirement. Colby C. will check on that.

Colby C. mentioned that there have been expensive thefts as well as some vandalism at the arboretum. Please keep an eye out at the arboretum especially after 2 PM. There should not be any volunteers working there after 2 PM. She has noticed a suspicious big white Ford pickup recently.

The meeting was suspended for the annual picnic, where annual elections to the board will be held.

Ray and Barb Petit were presented with a nice thank you plaque at the picnic meeting.

Eight people were nominated for the open board positions and Bridget Anderson, Dave Barber, Diana Ludke and Linda McMonagle were elected. Congratulations and welcome!

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Respectfully submitted, 7-29-2010.
Secretary, Charles Benedict 425 306-0465